

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Sessions start at 10:00 am

Dismissal K-8: 1:00 No Transportation

May 27, 2025

Yeshiva Annual Dinne

**Erev Shavuos - Regular Sessions** 

LOOKING

FORWARD

June 2-3, 2025

**Shavuos - No Sessions** 

Wednesday June 4, 2025

Isru Chag - Sessions begin -Grades K-5: 10:00 AM Grades 6-8: 8:45 AM

Middle School Honors Dinner

June 19, 2025

Dismissal K: 3:00 P-8: 4:00 No Transportation

**Last Day of Preschool** 

YOUR WINDOW INTO THE WORLD OF YESHIVA KETANA OHR REUVEN

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פרשת בהר-בחוקתי



Rabbi Fishman, Rosh Bais Medresh, speaking to the YKOR minyan on Lag



Talmidim recording in a studio for the upcoming choir at the Annual Dinner!



Mazel Tov to Rabbi Gonter on his Siyum Hashas!



Rabbi Lowy's 4th grade on Lag Baomer

#### NURSERY & KINDERGARTEN ADMISSIONS:

Admissions to Nursery and Kindergarten for the 26-27 school year is now open. If you would like to apply, please go to ohrreuven.com and hit the Admissions tab. If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Weitz at 845.362.8362, ext. #105

















Thank you to the YK Nshei for sponsoring the Inflatables and Jumbo ices for Lag Baomer!







8th grade Lag Baomer BBQ

### **MAZEL TOV!**

3rd grade onfinished פרשת מקץ! 5th grade finished Mishnayos Ta'anis! 4th grade siyum on parshas Ki Sisa! YKOR Alumnus, Menashe Schuster is engaged! Rabbi Prupas on his sister's wedding!

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Shia Gelbman, 6th Noam Deutsch, 6th Yitzy Schwartz, 4th Ariel Kahana, 4th Yosef Roth, 1st





P2 making a bow and arrow kriah game to



Rafael (1st) and Daniel (2nd) Levy helping out by Tomchei Shabbos



Rabbi Rawicki joining Pre1A fro their kriah Siyum

#### Spotlight on Kindness: A Look Inside the Cool to Be Kind Program

This year, our 7th grade boys took part in the Cool to Be Kind program—a unique opportunity that gave them a chance to mentor and support younger students during recess and lunchtime. The program focused on building empathy, leadership, and responsibility through real-life interactions, helping our older students experience the impact of kindness in action.

To celebrate the boys' efforts, we held an appreciation pizza lunch where the students reflected on their experiences. Each participant received a certificate acknowledging their involvement, and we invited them to complete a short survey so we could learn more about what worked well and how we can make the program even stronger in the future.

We were so proud to see that all the boys felt the program was effective—and even more meaningful were the words they shared about what they gained from the experience:

"Younger kids sometimes need help when playing with each other."

"I felt more responsible and happy to help."

"I learned that giving kids attention can improve their whole year."

"Including others doesn't hurt you."

"Life is not always about you. If you just take the time to help someone, it will change their life."

These insights show just how powerful a simple act of kindness can be—not only for the one receiving it, but for the one giving it as well. We are so proud of our 7th graders for stepping into this role with heart and sincerity, and we look forward to building on this program in the future!

# PARENTING in PARSHA



#### בחקותי Safe at Home

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If anyone consecrates his house to the LORD

'צריך כל אחד לדאוג לקדש את ביתו כמ"ש איש כי יקדיש את ביתו וגו Everyone Must concern himself with sanctifying his home as the *posuk* states, "when a man consecrates his home"

Chiddushei Ha'Rim

The strength of a nation derives from the integrity of the home.

Confucius

One of the bucket list destinations that attracts tourists from around the world is the Aurora Borealis, or Northern Lights. Those Northern Lights, visible from areas above or near the Arctic Circle, are produced the bγ magnetosphere blocking the solar radiation that would otherwise render our planet hostile to life. Our home planet is constantly bombarded by the invisible energy produced by the sun, and the equally invisible magnetosphere protects us from that radiation. The battle between the two can be seen playing out in the stunning spectacle of the northern lights. Have we considered the invisible shield needed to protect our homes?

The *Chidushei Ha'Rim* homiletically interprets the *posuk*, איש כי יקדיש את ביתו, as a mandate for each of us to consecrate and sanctify our homes. In our daily lives, and the lives of our children, we are constantly bombarded by forces, ideas, ideologies, and cultural norms that attack and undermine our values and ideals. There is nothing new under the sun, and the Jewish people have always dealt with the challenge of cultures and societies at odds with Torah values. Today, the difficulty in the battle is the constant, pervasive nature of the threat, and the depth to which that threat penetrates our lives and our homes.

Our highly connected, high-tech world has us interfacing with broader society and with outside forces in almost every facet of our lives. Smartphones and social media have us connected to a 24-hour news cycle and to people we would otherwise never come in contact with. Google Home and Alexa bring the outside world into our kitchens and living rooms. Our cars, our appliances and almost everything in our lives is steadily being connected to the internet, creating one, massive network of everyone and everything. That fact brings an incredible amount of convenience to our lives. It also brings incredible challenge.

Behind every one of these smart-devices stands a powerful company that wants to get between you and your money, and often wants to sell you not just a device, but a lifestyle. Large, often have multinational corporations progressive social agendas that are very much at odds with Torah values. They bombard the consumer with a steady stream of news articles, advertisements and notifications, aggressively pushing their worldview and their values on the consumer. A quick visit to any of the major online news aggregators will confirm the truth of the allegation.

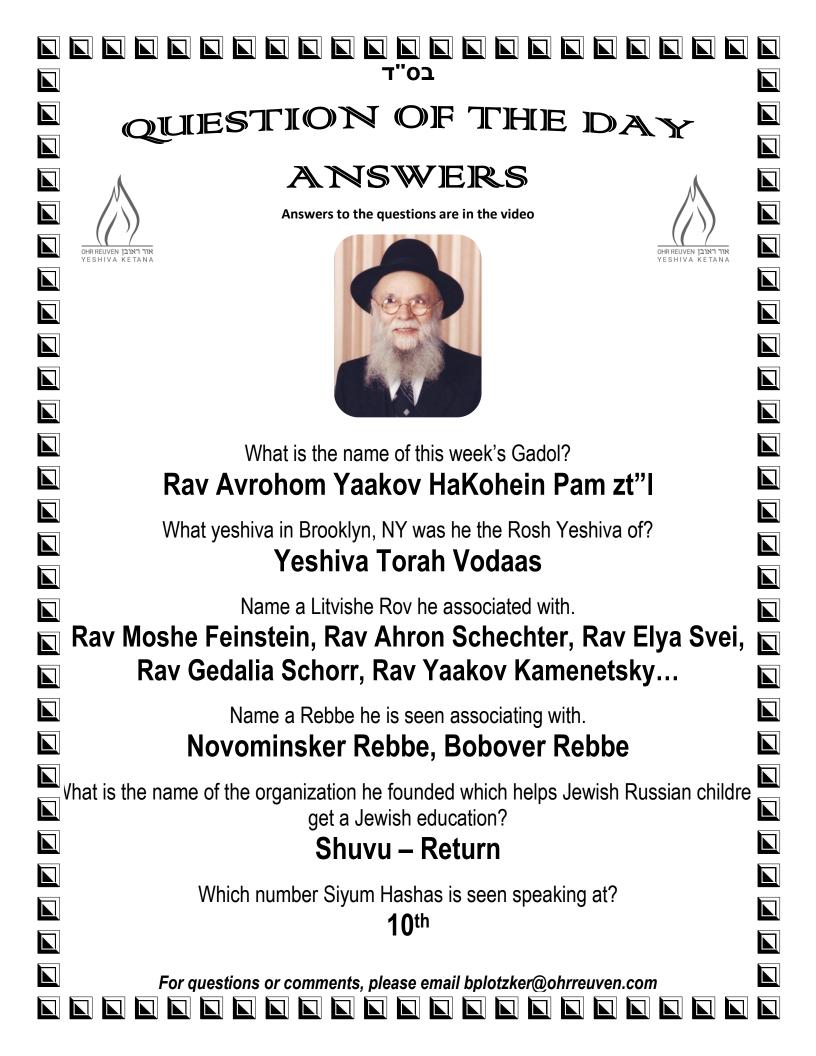
RABBI YISROEL GOTTLIEB

# PARENTING in the PARSHA



Children, still developing their worldview and easily swayed, are especially vulnerable. Our homes are meant to be the incubator in which we raise or children in a pure, sterile environment until they grow strong enough to withstand the onslaught of foreign ideas and ideologies. When we allow the sanctity of our homes to be breached, we rob our children of the opportunity to grow up in the pure Torah environment they need to develop properly. Only after our children have been raised with the proper perspectives and values will they be prepared to properly assess and reject opposing worldviews and ideas.

We, as parents, are the magnetosphere protecting our home. Doing all we can to keep the outside influences outside of our homes protects and shields our children. Weighing the potential costs to our children's *chinuch* against the potential benefits of convenience might just make us reconsider the purchase of the latest, greatest device for our homes. Vigilance in guarding and protecting the sanctity of our homes will make them the environment for raising the next generation of Torah Jewry. After all, a nation is only as strong as the integrity of its homes.





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## YKOR PRESENTS

# YEDIOS KLALIOS







## **SHAUUOS**

Mandatory test for grades 3 - 8, will beH take place be"H after Shavuos.

Auctions tickets will be distributed based on score.



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## YKOR - Middos & Menchlechkeit OFREUVEN 2







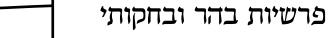




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שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום



This weeks שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום program

is not yet sponsored

THE REST of the פרשיות of this year are still available for sponsorship!
Please help support this wonderful program.

Monthly (4 weeks) sponsorship: \$220 One week full sponsorship: \$60 One week partial sponsorship: \$35

> To sponsor a פרשה please contact Rabbi Plotzker. bplotzker@ohrreuven.com

First Last	
<u>Name of תלמיד (Please Print Clearly)</u>	
!!WEEKLY PRIZES!!	
$\square$ 1 $^{ m st}$ Grade – 5 פסוקים	
$\square$ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade – פסוקים 2	
$\square$ 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade – פסוקים 3	
$\square$ 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade – 20 פסוקים	
$\square$ 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade – 25 פסוקים	
$\square$ 6th Grade – 30 פסוקים	
$\square$ 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade – 40 פסוקים	
$\square$ 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade – פסוקים $0$	
My son completed שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום	for
this פרשה in the amount specified for his c	lass.
☐ Bonus: Did double the grade required amount!	
Parent's signature	
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## This Tuesday! Looking Forward!



TUESDAY MAY 27 כ"ט אייר תשפ"ה

SLEEPY HOLLOW HOTEI

455 S. Broadway Sleepy Hollow, NY Reception 6:30 pm Dinner 7:30 pm Mr. & Mrs. Yossi Mause

Mr. & Mrs. Dovid Rosenfeld

Rabbi & Mrs. Avi Horowitz

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